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For the above-referenced patent application, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response After Final to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004. Entry of the Amendments are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are indicated in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.